is of 3.1xl.35x0.95M and capacity for uMder slung toad is upto 1500 kgs. Other special features (technology) of ALH are as under:—

— Twin eixgines.

— Hingeless comiposite main itotor.

_ , Bearuagless composite tail rotor.

— Integrated dynamic system.

— Anti Resonant vibration Isolation system.

— Automatic flight cbntrol system.

— Redundancy in flight critical systems.

— Maximum take off weight 5500 kg. with 2 pilots and 20 min. reserve fuel, can take 1000 kg. pay-load upto 800 kms.

— Highest survivability due to twin engine composite rotore, duplex hydraulics, ballistic tolerance, cruise spJed upto 245 kms. per hr. (450O AUW) range 800 "kms. endurance 4 hrs.

— Extension use of composites (29 percent by weight).

International Defence Exhibition

2367. DR. ALLADI P. RAJ-KUMAR; Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is plarming to participate in and organise international defence exhibitions;

(b) if so, the details of the proposed international exhibitions; and

(c) the kind *ot* weaponary produced by our ordinance factories proposed to be displayed and how do oiu" prices compare with those of other competitors in the World market?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI N. V. N. SOMU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) During the current financial year some of the defence production units will participate in Defence Asia '97 Exhibition to be held at Bangkok (Thailand) from 16—18 October 1997 and Langkawi International Maritime & Aerospace Exhibition (LIMA '97) to be held at Langkawi (Malaysia) from 2—7 December 1997.

Ministry of Defence have decided to organise the second International Aerospace Expbsition-Aero India 97 at Bangalore from 8—12 December 1998. It is also proposed to organise a 'Land & Naval Systems' Exhibition in Delhi in September 1999.

(c) Ordinance Factories have plans to display conventional arms & ammunition, components & spare parts, general & software items parachutes etc. at the above exhibitions. The prices for the above stores are generally competitive in international market.

Encroacliments on defence lands

2368. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have noticed large scale encroachments on defence lands and premises within Defence Directorate of Estate, Central Command committed during the last 4-5 years;

(b) whether some ofBcials of the Central Command of the Depart-meiit are trying now to get a few of them regularised inspite of major violations of rules;

(c) whether Government would stop any further continuance of such encroachments; and

(d) if so, the facts thereof and the action taken in the matter?